

EXPLORING NATURE PROGRAMS

PLATTE RIVER STATE FISH HATCHERY WINTER SCHEDULE



Self Guided Tours



The hatchery grounds and interpretive trails are open to the public daily at no charge from dawn to dusk.

The visitor center is open daily from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm and features exhibits and interactive learning opportunities that focus on Great Lakes water connections, the salmon program, and how a hatchery operates.

For more information call the hatchery staff at (231) 325-4611.

Hatchery History

The Platte River State Fish Hatchery was established in 1928 as a satellite rearing station and converted to the state's main salmon hatchery in 1972. This facility raises coho and chinook salmon and is the main egg take station for coho salmon in the Upper Great Lakes. In 2003, the facility went through a major renovation project that included replacement of the entire outside raceway complex, installation of a new effluent treatment system, and water flow monitoring systems installation.

The Great Lakes Ecological Information Center at this hatchery has an interpretive room with exhibits, along with a stream and hatchery interpretive trail. Visit to find out about the importance of medium sized rivers to the Great Lakes, the salmon story, how watersheds work and how a hatchery operates.



For more information, contact: **Platte River State Fish Hatchery Visitor Center on US-31 in Beulah, MI 231-325-4611**

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